

### **REMARKS**

Before the amendments made herein, claims 1, 5 to 13, 16 to 19 and 21 to 36 were pending. Claim 23 has been canceled herein without prejudice. Accordingly, after the amendments made herein are entered, claims 1, 5 to 13, 16 to 19, 21, 22, 24 to 32 and 34 to 36 will be pending.

#### **A. Regarding the amendments.**

Several claims have been amended by deleting “DS” before either “Po821” or “Po912.” These amendments are supported by the specification, for example, at page 11, lines 7-17 and page 21, lines 3-14.

Because the amendments made herein are fully supported by the specification, no issue of new matter arises.

#### **B. Regarding the indefiniteness rejection**

Claims 5, 6, 22, 23, and 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claims 5, 6, 22 and 23 are rejected for depending upon a canceled claim. In response, claims 5, 6 and 22 have been amended to depend upon a pending (and allowable) claim, and claim 23 has been canceled herein without prejudice.

Claim 26 is rejected for reciting the term “DS Po821.” In response, claim 26 has been amended to recite the term “Po821,” a specific disaccharide that is defined, for example, at page 11, lines 13-17 and page 21, lines 9-14 of the specification.

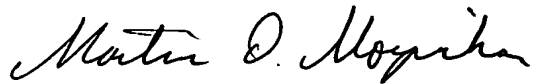
Applicants further note that claim 29 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected claim, specifically claim 26. However, Applicants believe that claim 26 as amended herein is now allowable.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that this rejection (and objection to claim 29) be withdrawn.

**CONCLUSION**

All of the issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed and are believed to have been overcome. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all the claims under examination in the subject application are allowable. Therefore Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance to this effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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